



A LIVING HOPE



April 30, 2023
Easter 4

WESTMINSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Attendance — text “HERE” to 443-234-0806.
Visiting?—text “WELCOME” to 443-234-0806.

WELCOME

Richard Marrs

PRELUDE

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”

arr. Livingston

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Shepherding God, bring us into your fold.

Lead us beside still waters and restore our souls.

Help us see the way we should go, the way we should live.

Help us hear your voice calling our name.

* HYMN

“His Name Is Wonderful”

UMH 174

GATHERING PRAYER

Enliven this time of worship, that we may find true life as we join with one another: praising your name, celebrating your great goodness, and sharing your love for all people. Amen.

PSALTER (sung)

Psalm 23

bulletin insert

* PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you; **And also with you.**

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SPECIAL MUSIC *“Praise the Lord, Ye Heavens Adore Him & Holy, Holy, Holy”*
 arr. Thompson & Callahan
 Children of Hope Handbell Choir—Linda Wood, Director

KIDS’ TIME

ANTHEM *“Come By Here”* Kyle Pederson
see bulletin note at the foot of this page

PASTORAL PRAYER / COMMUNITY PRAYER / LORD’S PRAYER (UMH 895)
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* HYMN *“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”* UMH 474

GOD’S WORD IS READ 1 Peter 2:19-25

REFLECTING UPON GOD’S WORD Pastor Malcolm Stranathan
 “Holy Living: Guardian of Your Soul”

RECEPTION INTO THE UMC AND WESTMINSTER UMC @ Center & Main UMH 33

OFFERTORY *“Prayer of Faith”* Charles Sergisson

*Doxology *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* UMH 94

*Offertory Prayer

Text your offering 844-307-2876; Give online at www.wumcmd.org; or Mail to:
Westminster UMC, P.O. Box 2316, Westminster, MD 21158-2316. Thank you.

* HYMN *“Goodness Is Stronger than Evil”* (sing twice) TFWS 2219

* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated) *“Alleluia Toccata”* Groden

ANTHEM NOTE:

Though the origin of the song is not entirely settled with various people claiming authorship, most recent scholarship and unearthed recordings clearly point to *Come By Here* as a traditional spiritual. The original lyrics likely included “somebody needs you, Lord....somebody’s sick, Lord.....somebody’s in trouble, Lord....come by here.” All the more impactful and heartbreaking as it was first voiced by those forced into bondage and held in slavery their entire lives. Kyle Pederson, arranger.

FELLOWSHIP SPAGHETTI DINNER
SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 5-7pm, Jubilee Hall
Sponsored by Fun Fellowship.
Freewill donation benefits Youth Missions / UMYF.

MASTERWORKS CHORALE OF CARROLL COUNTY—SPRING CONCERT
SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 3pm, McDaniel College
Baker Memorial Chapel hosts the concert, featuring *Carmina Burana* by Carl Orff.
Admission—\$15/advance, \$18/at the door, free for those under 18yrs. www.masterworksofcc.org.

MS WALK—TODAY, SUN, APR 30, WUMC member Mary Louise Poole walks to raise money for MS research in honor of sister Bernice Elaine Taylor & Rev. Elaine Emeth (served WUMC, 1998-2002). Talk to Mary Louise Poole, today, or donate online <https://mssociety.donordrive.com/index.cfm>

WORK DAY AT WUMC has been moved to Wed, May 3, 9am-12pm. Sign-up with Dan Dell or email: trusteeschair@wumcmd.org.

YOUTH WORK DAY—SIGN-UP, TODAY. SATURDAY, MAY 13, 9am-12pm
Community Garden at Milton Ave.
More info, to come. Excited? Can't wait?
Email missionchair@wumcmd.org, att: Noelle

DID YOU KNOW WUMC has a softball team in the Carroll County Church League? Contact Tim Edwards, Jr., wvualum95@gmail.com, 410-596-8760, for info. Games played at Carroll County Sports Complex, Thursdays, Apr 27-Jul 13. Next game—May 4, 8:30pm.

YOUR 2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES boxed sets are in the Happening Hub room for pick-up. Questions? Call Belinda, 410-848-8325,x15.

COFFEE-TIME FELLOWSHIP
SUNDAYS AT 10am, in the narthex/foyer
Hosted by our church ministries, coordinated by our Fun Fellowship Committee, it's a great time to meet new people and learn about our ministries.

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES
Linda Wood, Chairperson education@wumcmd.org

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
Sundays, 9am



3yrs through 5th grade—
Sunday School Tower
Children's Ministry Emily Gibbs:
childrensminister@wumcmd.org, 410-848-8325,x17

Register online

6th-8th grade—Youth House

9th-12th grade—invited to attend our adult classes, at this time (more info, coming soon).

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
Sundays, 9am

New Life in Christ Class—NLIC Room
Leader: Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling
Short Stories by Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi, *by Amy-Jill Levine*

Adult Discussion Class—Disciple Room
Leader: Anne Dorwart / Study of 1 Peter

VBS—June 25-29, 6-8:30pm
REGISTER—participants & leaders
Scan this QR code or go to:
<https://wumcmd.mycokesburyvbs.com/>
Children/participants—4yrs to rising 6th grade.
Leaders/assistants—adult & youth,
please join our Team of Heroes!
Called Together to Serve God.



SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX

Masking is optional; we respect your personal health choice.

Music: Peggy Brengle, CAGO-Organist Chancel Choir: Kyler Brengle, Director
ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond
Slides: Kyler Brengle AV Techs: Bill Eckles, Maddie Schryer, Mark Gieselman
Liturgist: Dick Marrs Leading Worship: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan

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Our Mission: "Changing lives through Jesus Christ to make a difference."

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Our Church Family

Ron Morningstar	<i>Long-term:</i>
Ron Grill	Ellis Lawson
June Hicks	Chris Clise
Tricia Rossig	Grace Justice
Eileen Burgher	Dave Taylor
Jeff Kimble	John Carbaugh
Wayne Olson	Christy Swartzbaugh
Gayle Dix	
Hank Diener	
Dan & Carol LaFon	

Our Family and Friends (requests in the past two months)

Bonnie Pavlik (friend of Mary Louise Poole)
Jeff Slaubaugh (friend of Mary Louise Poole)
Bryon Turfle (friend of Mary Louise Poole)
Lirsenne Castillo (mother-in-law of Rich Gonsman's nephew)

Our Global Ministries Missionaries & World Vision Child

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM
Onney Khosa (Zimbabwe) - World Vision/WUMC UMYF

Those in Military Service

Bailee Stevens, Air Force, Germany
(granddaughter of Ann & Steve Hull)
Alex Gray, Air Force, Ft. Gordon, GA
(son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)
Jason Marusiak, Fort Riley, KS
(son-in-law of The Flinn's)

STEWARDSHIP HIGHLIGHTS CORNER—

Please watch your mail for your statement of giving for the first quarter, along with a message about WUMC finances. Please remember that the statement is not a bill ... it is just a listing of your offering through the first quarter of the year, and it is a way for WUMC to say Thank You for your continued support and generosity.

REACH

OUR MISSION: To reach out to those within our congregation who are reaching out to us in need of help.

Are you a church member in need of:

- Funeral Lite Fare
- Meals following recovery or mourning
- Transport to local medical appointments

Please contact REACH, directly, for help:

REACH—MAY

Sue Thomas—(410) 917-3149
Brenda Tracy—(410) 215-6557

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

- May 3 Mrs. Eileen Burgher
932 Western Chapel Road
Westminster MD 21157
- May 7 Mr. Daniel LaFon
3931 Hawks Hill Road
New Windsor MD 21776
- May 26 Mr. Henry Diener c/o Wilmot
1937 Smith Station Road
Hanover PA 17331

If we missed you, reach out to Sherri,
s.haines@wumcmd.org.

TEXTING OPTIONS IN WORSHIP

OFFERING

Text amount
to 844-307-2876



Mail to POB 2316, Westminster 21158

Online offering—please scan QR code

ATTENDANCE

Text "HERE" to 443-234-0806

REQUESTING PRAYER

Submit prayer requests:

- Online, www.wumcmd.org/prayer-requests.html
- Email Pastor Malcolm,
m.stranathan@wumcmd.org
- Email Rev. Ken, revkenh@starpower.net
- Call the church office, 410-848-8325.